

## SECOND FLOOR.

Do you need a Shirt-Waist or a Suit? Our second floor presents the greatest price inducements you ever saw. The highest g enins of the French as well as the American artists has contributed its finest creations. They look too pretty to be sacrificed, but they must go—and that now. We did not stop at cutting prices—they are simply slaughtered.

### Shirt Waists.

65c. each, were 85c.—Sheer White Lawn Shirt-Waists, two pretty styles, tucked and embroidered trimmings.

\$1.25 each, were \$1.95.—Stylish India Linen Waists, entire front of fine embroidery, variety of designs.

\$2.50 each, were \$4.95.—Beautiful White Lawn Waists, some hand embroidered, some lace trimmed.

\$1.60 each, were \$2.25.—Dainty Persian Lawn Waists, broad hemstitched tucks, stylish stock collar and full sleeves, all sizes.

\$1.95 each, were \$3.45.—Pretty Embroidered Waists, low neck and flowing sleeves.

\$3.50 each, were \$5.00.—Handsome Waists, combination of drawn work and dainty lace.

85c. each.—Lot of attractive Persian Lawn Waists, rows of cluster tucks; hemstitched, new collar and sleeves—all sizes to 44.

### Corsets.

75c. each, were \$1.—C. B., J. B., and American Lady Corsets, nearly all sizes, in each brand.

\$1 each.—Warner's Corsets—guaranteed rust proof—no supporters attached, new Princess hip, all sizes.

45c.—A splendid summer Corset, non-rustable, bias cut, perfect straight front, sizes to 30.

\$2 each.—Fine C. B. Corsets—medium bust, extra long hip, perfect fitting model.

\$1.60 each.—R and G. Form Reducing Corsets—made especially for large figures—well boned and extra long, sizes to 35.

\$1 each.—Dainty Batiste Girdles, embroidery ruffle, top and bottom—suitable for slender figures.

## THIRD FLOOR.

Here will be found a full line of Carpets, Rugs, Oil-Cloths, Mattings, Metal Beds, Trunks, Valises, Window-Shades, Lace Curtains, Draperies and Sewing-Machines at end-of-the-season prices:

### Mattings and Rugs.

15c. a yard for Heavy China Mattings, that were 20c. to 30c.—40 patterns.

15c. a yard for 30c. to 50c. Linen Warp Mattings.

\$1.10 each.—Smyrna Rugs, 20 inches by 60 inches.

\$3.35 each.—Aminster Rugs, 30 inches by 72 inches—floral and animal designs.

### Beds and Mattresses.

83 each.—White Enamel Beds—brass knobs.

\$4.75 each.—White Enamel Beds—brass rails and knobs.

\$7.50 each.—Handsome Brass mounted White Enamel Beds.

\$22.50 each.—Wooden Wire Beds.

\$1.50 each.—Woven Wire Springs.

\$2.50 each.—Steel Frame Woven Wire Springs.

\$1.75 each.—Cotton Top Mattresses.

\$2.50 each.—Shuck and Cotton Mattresses.

\$4.50 each.—Felt Mattresses—one or two pieces.

### Boys' Suits.

60c. each, were \$1.25 and \$1.50.—Boys' Washable Suits, made of Gaieta duck, canvas and crash cloth—there are many fancy stripes and colors.

10c. each.—Boys' 75c. Suits, in madras and crash.

40c. each, were 75c. and 85c.—25 dozen Boys' Corduroy Knee Trousers, sizes 4 to 16 years.

30c. each, were 75c. and 85c.—Boys' Fancy Sailor Hats, made of the very best straw.

45c. each, were \$1.—Boys' Blouse Waists, with large sailor collar, embroidered front and cuffs.

\$2.95 each, were \$4.50.—Boys' Dark Blue All-Wool Serge Suits—tailor made.

### Women's Suits and Skirts.

\$3.50 each, were \$15.—White Linen Suits, elaborately trimmed with embroidery.

\$12.50 each, were \$20.—Finest quality Muslin Dresses—robe effects—with lace trimmings.

85 each, were \$3.00 and \$10.—Linen Dresses, strictly tailored effects.

\$3.00 each, were \$5.00.—Linen Lawn Suits—newest midsummer designs—colors only.

\$2.65 each.—All the 4, 5 and 60 Lawn and Percale Dresses, in checked, striped and dotted effects.

\$2.25 each.—White Pique and Tan Linen Skirts, trimmed in strappings and piping.

60c. each, were 85c.—Wash Skirts, full width.

85 each.—Woman's Black Cloth Skirts, full 7 gore flare, trimmed in straps and buttons.

\$3.75 each, were \$5.—Black Voile Skirts, taffeta trimmed.

\$2.45 each.—Women's Blue and Black Mohair Bathing Suits, daintily trimmed, with ousache braid.

# Our Flood-Gates Lifted.

The careful miller watches with vigilant eye the mass of waters piled up behind his dam. If there is prospect of a heavy fall of rain he takes time by the forelock, opens his flood-gates and lets out large quantities of water which a short time before was so precious. The result is that he is ready when the rain comes. Just so it is with the prudent merchant. The advent of a new season means the pouring in of thousands and thousands of dollars' worth of new goods. He lifts his flood-gates and lets out all the surplus stock necessary to make room for the new. Starting to-morrow we raise the gates and they will stay up until a safe limit is reached.

## PRICES WILL BE YOURS

without regard to values, for we know that price reductions, so patent that he who runs may read, will be the most convincing argument we can give.

### Talcum Powder Free.

The first 150 ladies who come to the Toilet Department after 10 o'clock to-morrow morning, will receive a free sample of Colgate's Violet Talcum Powder.

### Bouquet of Bargains

Bunched for your choosing. Take your pick.

15c. for Women's 25c. to 35c. Wrist Bags.

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25c. for Women's Imitation Alligator Chatelaine Bags.

15c. for Women's 25c. to 35c. Fancy Silk Belts.

7c. a cake—Cradock's Medicated Bine Soap.

4c. a ounce—Allen's 50c. Violent and Rose Extracts—bring a bottle.

10c. each—1-200 Hair Brushes.

5c. each—Celluloid Dressing Combs.

3c. a bottle—Machine Oil.

2-7-8, a yard—2-000 yards Dress Linings.

6-3-4c, a yard—1-000 yards Percale Linings.

11c. a yard—Satten Linings—black and colored.

25c. a paper—Crawley's Gold Eyed Needles.

5c. for Pins in cubes or sheets, worth 8c. and 10c.

30c. a pair—25c. and 35c. Dress Shields.

10c. each for 25c. Pictures.

1c. a card—Safety Pins, assorted sizes.

7c. a yard—Silk Taffeta Ribbons—fill shades.

15c. a yard—4 1/2 inch Fancy Silk Ribbons, worth 20c. to 35c.

Liberty Ribbons, worth 20c. to 35c.

20c. a yard for 75c. Silk Fancy Ribbons—7 inches wide—double effects.

one-half polka dots one-half stripes.

25c. for 35c. White Taffeta Ribbons—5 inches wide.

10c. a yard—37 pieces Ribbons that sold to 50c.

10c. for Men's 50c. Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers.

45c. for Men's 75c. Night Shirts.

45c. for Men's 50c. White Unadorned Shirts.

### Millinery.

50c. each, were \$1.50.—Tucked White Cloth Hats, straw crowns, three shapes to select from.

60c. each, values to \$2.—Fine White \$1 and up—Shirt-Waist Hats.

### Hosiery.

We have just 110 dozen Women's Lace Lisle Stockings, in all the newest open-lace patterns—a dozen styles. Remember that—quality considered—they will not last long at 10c. a pair when reduced from 25c.

### Picture of Pope Leo XIII.

This beautiful imitation oil painting of the late Pope, is on a black mat, 20 inches by 25 inches. It represents him in full pontifical robes. Price 25c.

## A JULY WHITE GOODS SALE THAT SURPASSES ALL.

Read and mark well for the values are self evident. Our ideas of the goodness of these bargains will find their fulfillment in your appreciation of them. It is not the stock alone but the good judgment in selection which makes such a fine showing here.

7-3-4, a yard—Fancy Satin Stripe Sheer White Goods.

10-3-4c, were 25c.—Heavy Oxford Linen Finish Suits.

4-5-6, were 25c.—Finest grade of Imported Organdies—white only.

10c. a yard for 35c. Soft Indian Mull.

12 1/2c, were 15c.—India Linens—40 inches wide.

4-5-6, a yard—Checked Nainsooks.

15c, were 25c.—Open Hemstitched Satin Stripe India Linen Waistings.

## A LACE AND EMBROIDERY SALE.

There has been no equal of this sale in Richmond. It is to close out big lots and the prices show a saving when you see the goods.

### Laces.

15c. a yard, were 25c.—Loop Edge Batiste Applique Laces—4 inches wide.

20c. a yard, were 30c. and 45c.—Eccu Fllet Applique Lace Insertions.

12 1/2c, a yard, were 25c.—Handsome Cluny Lace Insertions—ecru or white—the newest thing in dress trimming and very serviceable.

30c. to \$1 for Real Hand-Made Cluny Laces that were 40c. to \$1.35.

10c. to 30c. for Wide Yacht Insertions that were four times as much—cream only.

## END OF JULY SALE OF LINENS.

This is the season's closing-out-stock sale. You will double your money on any want you may have.

10c. a yard—Soft Dress Linens—yard wide—full bleached and light weight.

22c, were 35c.—Linen Cambrics—yard wide.

\$1 a yard—Full width heavy Irish Linen Sheetings.

40c. a yard, were 50c.—Damask Table Linens—2 yards wide—variety of designs.

85c. a yard, were \$1.50.—Double Dam-

### Embroideries.

5c. to 10c. a yard, were 12 1/2c. to 15c.—Embroidered Gallons and Fancy Bandings—white or ecru.

10c. a yard, were 20c. to 45c.—Lot of Lace Insertions, Edgings and Flouncings.

8c. to 60c. a yard, were 15c. to \$1.50.—6,000 yards of Fine French Embroideries—Nainsooks, 8 1/2c. and Cambrics from narrow to widest foundations.

3c. to 25c. for various styles of Embroideries that were worth just double.

ask-2 yards wide—in large or small designs.

12 1/2c. each—Heavy Linen Towels—45 inches by 23 inches.

10c. each, were \$2 a dozen—34 dozen Linen Towels.

30c. each—Hemstitched Linen Pillow Shams—full size.

\$3.50 a dozen—40 dozen Linen Napkins that sold up to \$5.

## COTTON WASH GOODS.

The highest record in Cotton Wash Goods we ever made. Reasons? The fabrics themselves and the prices are the reasons—they are all the argument the thrifty shopper needs.

Another feast of bargains spread for your Monday's—yes, all the week's, choosing.

10, were 10c. and 15c.—Mercerized Silk Mousselines, Foulards, Grenadines and Silk Striped Linens.

6-1-4c, were 12 1/2c.—Madras Gingham and Satin Striped Madras Corsets.

5c, were 8c. and 10c.—Dimity Corsets and Satin Striped and printed effects.

8c.—Bleached Cannon Cloth—yard wide—linen finished and shrunk.

10c, were 15c.—Mercerized Silk Gingham.

9-3-4c.—French Dimity Corsets and Embroidered Dimity Swiss Muslins—fancy printing on light or dark grounds.

9-3-4c, were 22 1/2c.—Imported Mousseline Savoy—white and tinted grounds—all the latest designs and colors.

8 1/2c, were 10c.—40 inches wide—light and dark effects.

9-3-4c, were 25c.—Flemish Lace Striped Muslins—the prettiest effects in weaves and color combinations.

### Swiss Clock 65c.

Beautiful Swiss Cottage Clock; winds by pulling up the weight with a chain. Runs over 24 hours with one winding; a good time-piece and not hurt by dust. Price, 65c.

### 20th Century Freyzer.

Demonstration of this wonderful Freyzer in the basement to-morrow. Stop in, see it and try the cream—its free. Prices: 4-quart, \$1.40; 2-quart, \$1.20.

## The Bargain Basement

is crowded again with stuffs from everywhere—from anywhere that HALF PRICE could bring them to you.

### White Goods.

8c. a yard—White Dimity Checks and Stripes—the finest, sheerest 16c. and 18c. grades.

8c, were 12 1/2c.—India Linens—40 inches wide.

10c. a yard for 20c. Mercerized Satin Striped—and other weaves—in White Goods.

10c. a yard, were 25c.—White Craple Cloth and Nainsook Tucking, suitable for waists or dresses.

4-3-4c. a yard—40-inch India Linens.

### Towels.

2c, 3c, 4c, and 7c. each for hundreds of Towels that sold for two to three times as much.

19c. each for 60c. Turkish Towels.

### Summer Corsets 25c.

25c. each, value 50c.—35 dozen Summer Batiste Corsets, edged with silk embroidery, all sizes.

### Muslin Underwear.

12 1/2c. each—50 dozen Corset Covers—all sizes, low neck, vest of sewing cambric; tight or full front.

15c. a pair—32 dozen Women's Drawers.

25c. a pair—Women's Drawers with umbrella ruffle—hemstitched or tucked.

20c. each, were 50c.—Muslin Gowns—tucked and ruffled—fine materials and perfect fitting.

17c. each for 25c. Corset Covers.

60c. each, were \$1.20—Two lots of elaborately lace trimmed Underskirts.

### Knit Underwear.

3 1/2c. for Women's 5c. Vests.

12 1/2c. for Women's 15c. Extra Quality Vests—plain or fancy.

7c. for Women's 15c. Vests—taped neck and arms.

9c. for Women's 12 1/2c. Lisle-Like Vests—full trimmed neck and arms.

16-2-3c. for Women's Gauze Vests, lace insertion and taped neck and arms.

25c. for Women's Summer Knit Pants—plain or trimmed.

8c. for Misses' 15c. Vests—plain—taped neck and arm.

### Marselles Quilts.

\$1.50, imported to sell for \$2.50.—Heavy Embossed Marselles Quilts for single, twin and three-quarter beds—some slightly water stained.

75c, were \$1 and \$1.25.—Crochet and Honey Comb Quilts—summer weight.

### Cotton Wash Goods.

2-7-8c. a yard, were 6-1-4c.—Irish Lawns, Dimities and Batiste, plain and fancy printing.

65c. a yard, were 12 1/2c. and 16-2-3c. Satin Striped and Corded Madras.

17c. a yard, were 25c.—Bleached Sheetings—2-1/4 yards wide.

34c. a yard, were 51-3-4c.—Fancy Printed Batiste.

4-1-4c. a yard—1-3 yards wide Unbleached Sheetings.

5-3-4c. a yard, were 10c. and 12c.—Yard-Wide Percales, light and dark styles.

4-1-4c. a yard for Yard-Wide 6 1/2c. Unbleached Cotton.

### Sheetings and Pillow Cases

60c. each, were 75c.—30 dozen Sheets—single and double bed size—36 seams.

60c. each, were 85c.—Hemstitched Sheets, no seams.

8-1-2c. each, were 10c. and 12c.—30 dozen Pillow Cases.

15c. each, were 25c.—Linen Finished Pillow Cases.

### Linen Lap Robes 35c.

35c. each for full size 75c. Linen Lap Robes—some slightly water stained.

### Curtains.

3c. a yard—Fancy Silkones.

5-3-4c. a yard, were 12 1/2c.—Swiss Muslin for cottage Curtains—short lengths.

8 1/2c. a yard, were 25c.—Floral Swiss for summer draperies.

60c. a pair, were \$1.—Nottingham Lace Curtains.

### Stationary.

10c. a pound—3-20 pounds Royal Derby Linen Paper.

34c. a pound—30c.—French Crepon Paper—very handsome.

### Chinaware.

\$10 a set—China Dinner Sets—10 pieces—white and gold decorations.

\$4.50 a set—Toilet Sets—12 pieces—rose and gold stipped decorations.

\$3.50 a set—Toilet Sets—12 pieces—blue and gold decorations.

\$2.50 and \$4.50 a set—Toilet Sets—10 pieces—worth a full half more.

### Hammocks.

60c. to \$2.25 each. A full line of Hammocks, worth from a half more to double prices.

# A Curious Sugar Problem for Modern Chemists to Solve

(Special Correspondence to The Times-Dispatch.)

BOSTON, July 25.—Although science has long ago given up its search for the mysterious "Philosopher's Stone" with which the mediæval "alchemists" cheerfully imagined that the baser metals could be changed to gold, there still remain problems almost equally tempting to the imagination and probably quite as hopeless of practical solution. To turn sawdust into table sugar is one of these problems. In fact sawdust has already been turned into sugar, only this sugar is not only produced economically and on a large scale from the mountains of sawdust that yearly accumulate in American lumber yards, would make the fortune of whoever invented the process.